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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Patent Office Action of March 29, 2006 please reconsider the rejections contained therein in view of the attached Terminal Disclaimer and the attached Declaration of the inventor, Shalaby W. Shalaby, as well as the Remarks set forth below. A petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the time for response to and including Monday, July 31, 2006, is filed herewith.

A complete listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.